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Mr. James Lekas
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582 North Vernal Avenue
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Subject: January 24, 2005, Review of Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations; Lexco, Inc.; Cottonwood Mine; M/047/064; Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Lekas:

On January 24, 2005, the Division sent you a review of your Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations. A copy of the review was also sent to the Bureau of Land Management, and we subsequently received a telephone call from the BLM where they expressed concerns about the review. We determined that the Division and the BLM should work to coordinate the review of your plan.

Please do *not* respond to our January 24, 2005, review at this time. Once the BLM has finished looking at your plan, we will meet with them and compile a consolidated review that will include the requirements from both agencies.

Thank you once again for your cooperation and patience. If you have questions about this letter or the review process, please call Paul Baker at 801-538-5261.

Sincerely

Daron R. Haddock
Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

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cc: Stan Perkes, Utah BLM

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